

The Weather  
Forecast: Fair; not much change in temperature.  
Highest yesterday 59  
Lowest this morning, 5 a. m., 39  
24-hr. precipitation to 5 a. m., .06

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1929.

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## Today

By Arthur Brisbane

New Automobile Speed, \$100,000,000? Bagatelle. Welcoming Dear Uncle. The Indians' Drum.

At Daytona, Fla., Monday, Major Segrave, a British sportsman, ran his "Golden Arrow" automobile, which looks like a sharp dagger, at a speed better than 231 miles an hour.

This is interesting but not important, except as it encourages production of better metal and more reliable machinery.

The speed reached has no value, since it cannot be used on the surface of the earth. Nevertheless, it is encouraging. If men can go 231 miles an hour on the ground, how fast will they go through the air?

Onethousand miles an hour some day, around the earth with the sun overhead all the way.

New York City spends every year as much as the national government used to spend before the war, and Monday ordered tunnels and bridges to cost \$107,000,000.

Once that would have been called "a great deal of money." The nation hesitated about spending \$250,000,000 on the Panama Canal.

Now individual Wall Street firms organize \$100,000,000 concerns with little discussion and no emotion at all. Figures and wealth are growing bigger.

How willing Europe is to take dear Uncle Sam into the world court. He may be "Uncle Shylock," but how pleasant it would be to him up with decision of a foreign court, voting ten to one against him.

"Do whatever you please," says Europe to Uncle Sam, "if only we can get our hands on you."

An interesting explanation of Mexican revolutionists' success in taking Juarez. Yaqui Indians were with the revolutionists and others were in the regular Mexican army.

The Indians with the revolutionists sent a message by drum beat to the federal Yaquis, telling them to come over, and they came.

In Mexico Indians are among the most devout of the Catholic population, and sympathize with the revolution.

Mexico announces that the rebels are driven back, Calles, head of government forces, rapidly advancing against them.

Such announcements are at best uncertain, although there is little doubt about the final result.

There is no doubt at all that American airplane manufacturers are busy, thanks to this Mexican war.

The Vought aircraft factory on Long Island is working day and night turning out a fleet of swift fighting airplanes ordered by Mexico. Other American factories, with the approval of Washington, are engaged in the same work.

The most ardent revolutionist on the ground has little chance against bullets and bombs from the air.

Latest prohibition news. A navy official complains of Charleston speakies, describing them as "the worst holes he knows." In Tennessee two doctors are held under a charge of murder, for operating on a

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## TEAMS SET FOR TRIAL AT SALEM

Broadcast Hookup Completed By Mail Tribune and Cooperating Firms for Basketball Tourney—Drawings Scheduled 4:00 P. M. Today.

Arrangements have been completed for the broadcasting of play-by-play accounts of games in which the Medford high school team will take part at the state basketball tournament at Salem the remainder of this week. Reports will be received from the Western Union telegraph service and over Associated Press leased wires direct to KMED, the Mail Tribune-Virgin broadcasting station.

In addition to the service mentioned, the Mail Tribune will have Arthur Perry, staff correspondent, and A. C. Allen, special writer, at the tournament, and reports will be received from them also. A loud speaker will be placed in front of the Mail Tribune offices for the fans in the business section.

This broadcast is being made possible through the cooperation of KMED, the Mail Tribune, J. C. Penney & Company, Holmes Insurance agency and the California Oregon Power company.

SALEM, Ore., March 12.—(P)—Every high school at the state basketball tournament opening here tonight following drawings at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, will be attended by two Williams university lettermen called team managers, according to assignments made today by Coach Roy Keene.

Washington high of Portland will have George Seales of Portland Dwight Adams of Salem. Wallows high has Glenn Leubetter of Imbler and Paul Ackerman of Monroe, Wash. McLoughlin high of Milton-Freewater has Reeve Betts of Athena and Arthur Roundtree of Klaberna, Wash. The Dalles has Gurnee Frazier of Salem and Lawrence Gibson of Salem.

Medford has Frank Van Dyke of Medford and Willis Hathaway of Hill Plains, Wash. Myrtle Point has Ed Cretton of Bandon and Wayne Page of Dallas. Eugene high has Merle McMullin of Springfield and Curtis French of Salem. Chemawa Indian school has Lawrence Winslow of Hermiston and Harry Hillis of Monroe, Wash. Tillamook high has Barney Kaufman of Woodburn and Pat Emmons of Salem. Astoria has Jack Minto of Salem and Robert Hillis of Seattle. In past years one letterman was assigned to a team.

## SABATH SAYS CHICAGO NOT BAD AS PAINTED

WASHINGTON, March 12.—(P)—Agreeing that there is "a certain amount of crime" in Chicago, Representative Sabath, Democrat of Illinois, contends there actually is less law violation per capita in that city and the state of Illinois than in the southern states. "That having sent the leading and most obnoxious 'dry' advocates to congress."

In an extension of remarks in the Congressional Record today, Sabath, a wet, cited government figures showing that in 1928 there were ten times as many distilleries, three times as many stills, five times as many fermenters, and more than twice the number of gallons of mash seized in Alabama, Florida and Georgia combined than in Illinois.

## MOUNTAIN STATERS DIGGING OUT OF SNOW

DENVER, Colo., Mar. 12.—(P)—The Rocky Mountain states today were digging themselves out after the snows of yesterday and the day before which had buried highways and suspended automobile traffic in several states.

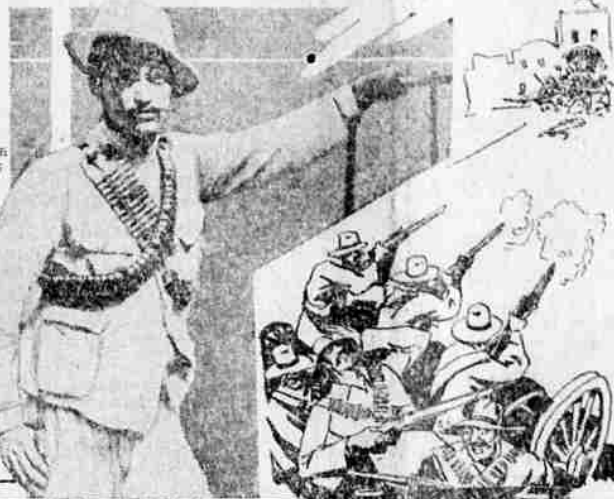
## WOMAN'S SCALP LOST IN SHAFT ACCIDENT

MADERIA, Cal., March 12.—(P)—Completely scalped when her hair became entangled in a water wheel shaft, Mrs. Anna Kolbyhoff, 24, died of injuries here today. Mrs. Kolbyhoff's hair was wound up in the revolving shaft and her scalp was torn off from below her eyebrows to the lower part of her neck, including the left ear before workmen could release her.

## MEXICAN FEDERALS RECAPTURE MONTEREY



Gen. Gonzalo Escobar (lower left), the rebel leader, has fled from Monterrey before the advance of five covering columns of federal troops. Above on map show lines of advance of federal in retaking the railway center. Below: View of principal streets of Monterrey. Above is a typical Mexican soldier.



## MIDWAY ROAD PROPOSALS ARE AIRED IN COURT

Possibilities for Plan Though Damage Claims Loom—Newman Suggests Arbitration Board—Value of Route Told.

Further discussion of the feasibility of the proposed construction of a two-mile road connecting the Pacific highway directly with the county road leading to the Table Rock and Sams Valley districts, by property owners before the county court this forenoon, revealed there is some possibility for the plan to be realized, but still brought out considerable opposition in view of probable damage claims.

Representing M. J. Swain, Louisa Peach and himself Attorney E. J. Newman presented a suggested solution to clear away the damage claims by the appointment of a board of arbitration, which would work with the property owners and the county court to agree on a reasonable sum of damages. The present claims are deemed too high by the court and will probably prevent the construction of the road. The county court took the stand of favoring the proposed construction in view of the benefit to be derived by the Sams Valley and Table Rock sections, as well as by Medford.

E. E. Stump, owner of a truck garden tract, directly in the path of the new road, suggested the route be changed, bringing the traffic onto the Pacific highway at the present Midway road, eliminating the construction of 750 feet through several small acreage tracts, the owners of which are protesting on grounds that their property will suffer great damage. Mr. Stump took a determined stand against the road as did Mrs. J. W. Smylie, who has property adjoining.

M. J. Swain declared the road would ruin his five-acre tract as far as a home building site was concerned. It was suggested he could build a service station at the junction with the Pacific highway, but he refused to consider such plan.

Would Increase Values  
Speaking in behalf of the road, E. W. Carlton of Table Rock told of its need to the entire northern section of the county. Its construction, he said, would increase the value of property along its route and it would only be one-half mile from the site of the proposed municipal airport. He declared it would be possible to pipe water along the route and supply fresh mountain water to every home now constructed or planned, for building on the road's completion.

R. E. Neaton of Table Rock, speaking in behalf of ranchers of his district, said the entire section was in favor of the construction, provided it took a straight line to the Pacific highway, joining it near the C. T. Sweeney property. He said the Central Point chamber of commerce was not opposing the road, contrary to reports. Captain S. A. Tuttle of Table Rock spoke on the value of the road from commercial and recreational angles, declaring both interests would be well served.

Representing the Merchants' association, Clarence Meeker told the court the association had endorsed

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## Dry Law Makes Homes As Open As a Dog House

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Mar. 12.—(P)—A man's home has ceased to be his castle since the prohibition law went into effect, and is as "open as a dog house" in the opinion of Justice W. S. Snow. He expressed that opinion in police court yesterday after hearing the argument of an attorney for a newly couple charged with improper cohabitation who contended they had been illegally arrested because the policeman who took them into custody entered their home looking for another person and did not have a warrant for each. They were fined \$15 each and costs.

## MEDFORD GETS ONE OF SEVEN SUPERSTATIONS

PORTLAND, Ore., March 12.—(P)—A powerful radio station, one of a chain of seven to be built on the Pacific Coast Airways, will be ready for operation on Rocky Butte, near here, within two months, W. A. Cutting, in charge of operation, announced today.

The station is to cost \$20,000 and will be in direct communication by code and the spoken word, with planes in flight.

The stations are being built by the Airways division of the department of commerce.

Six other stations will be located at Medford, Los Angeles, Fresno, Oakland, Redding and Seattle.

From the coast chain movements of planes will be directed by broadcasting of weather reports and movements of other ships.

A 24-hour service will be maintained by the Rocky Butte station. Automatic printer telegraphs similar to those used by the Associated Press will keep the municipal airport here in touch with all information.

There will be a microphone at the municipal airport so either government operators or airport officials may talk to the planes in flight.

ASHLAND NORMAL FUND IS FIXED  
SALEM, Ore., Mar. 12.—(P)—The new state board of higher education, created by the legislative bill of the recent legislature, and which is a consolidation of the boards of regents of the University of Oregon, Oregon State college and the State Normal schools, will have for distribution and disbursement during the next few years among the five institutions under its control an estimated total of \$4,988,992.43. The estimate is made by the secretary of state's office. For 1930 the same figures are used as an estimate.

The fund includes: Southern Oregon Normal school at Ashland, \$1,100,000; Oregon State college, \$1,500,000; University of Oregon, \$1,388,992.43.

## FILM STARS FACE TRIAL FOR FRAUD

Lady Income Tax Adviser Indicted for Criminal Aid in Preparing Untruthful Returns for Screen Celebrities—Uncle Sam to Get Big Sums As Penalties.

LOS ANGELES, March 12.—(P)—Gloom pervades the world of stardom in Hollywood today. Screen celebrities, many of them at least, are wondering what the future holds. They are beginning to wonder how much they will owe Uncle Sam when investigations are completed, and whether they will be held responsible for any improper acts attributed by federal income tax officials to J. Marjorie Berger.

Miss Berger, an income tax counselor of Hollywood, was indicted by a federal grand jury here yesterday on 21 counts of alleged criminal aid in preparing fraudulent income tax returns for many prominent film personalities. She is accused by U. S. government officials to have assisted in defrauding the treasury out of more than a million dollars in recent years.

That the apprehension of the screen celebrities may not be wholly unfounded is evidenced by the announcement of United States Attorney S. W. McNabb that several idols of the movie fans may be named in conspiracy indictments.

Morton Fisher, assistant to the attorney general; Oliver E. Page, indictment expert; and Arthur H. Doherty, assistant general counsel of the internal revenue bureau, today are busy preparing the cases and studying the situation.

The one thing which may save the film stars involved from criminal prosecution may be the difficulty of proving criminal intent in the submission of the tax returns. In any event, say the federal experts, the actors and actresses will be glad to pay whatever financial penalties the government may assess rather than face criminal prosecution.

Among those listed in the Berger indictment as having had their income tax returns prepared by her were William Hoffer, Rod La Rocque, Dorothy Mackill, George F. Marion, Jr., and Robert W. Brown.

An example of alleged fraud, it was charged in the indictment, was the tax return of Rod La Rocque, as "approved" by Miss Berger, which showed income of \$121,987. Deductions were \$42,870, net income shown as being \$79,117; tax due government, \$10,648.

The figures should have been as follows: Gross income, \$182,779; deductions, \$96,677; net income \$86,102; tax due government, \$34,291.

Intimations at the federal building that at least one more Hollywood "expert" will be indicted on Friday when the grand jury convenes here brought further uneasiness to Hollywood today. No body knows where the next blow may fall. The least that can happen, it is feared by the screen celebrities, is that they are due to pay the government a lot of money in penalties.

## CARLTON DENIES AIR WIRE MERGER

NEW YORK, March 12.—(P)—Newcomer Carlton, president of the Western Union Telegraph company returned from England today. He went abroad recently to observe the results of the merger in England of radio and telegraph, but would not say whether he found it satisfactory.

Commenting upon the repeated denied rumor that a like merger was coming in America, Carlton said: "It is as remote as the moon from the earth. I can say for my company that nothing of this sort is even remotely apt to happen."

MICHIGAN PEOPLE GIVE DAY TO CROP PRAYERS  
HOLLAND, Mich., March 12.—(P)—Business was slowed down here today in observance of the "day of prayer for crops," an annual ceremony here since pioneer days.

Schools were closed, most business houses and offices closed and work in some factories suspended. Services were held in the churches.

## Decorated Baker



WASHINGTON, March 12.—(P)—Newton D. Baker, secretary of war during the world war, came to Washington today to receive the distinguished service medal from Secretary Good.

The award of the medal to President Wilson's war secretary was announced some time ago, the citation saying the award was made for "exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services." It also said he was "responsible for the organization, development, and completion of a military program which brought success to the American arms" and that "throughout the war he rendered services of inestimable value to the country."

While in office Mr. Baker disapproved the recommendations of a board that he be awarded the medal.

## FATE ENDS SPEED TEST IN FLORIDA

Lee Bible Crashes at Speed of 202 Miles Per Hour—36-Cylinder Triplex Racer Out of Control—Pathe News Cameraman Hit By Machine, Also Dead.

OCEAN BEACHWAY, Daytona Beach, Fla., March 12.—(P)—Lee Bible crashed into the sand dunes and was killed here today while traveling at a speed of 202 miles an hour in an attempt to set a new world's record in J. W. White's triplex racing machine.

The accident occurred some three miles down the beach on the north end of the mentioned and caused the machine spinning around on the course and plunging into the sand dunes.

Bible, a mechanic, was killed instantly when the 36-cylinder triplex racer in which he was attempting to break the world's speed record of 231 miles an hour, got beyond control and crashed into the sand dunes.

Charles Taub, a Pathe News cameraman who was hit by the machine also was killed. The accident happened at the far north end of the course.

The accident occurred after Bible had negotiated the mile can 91.292 miles an hour. The machine was demolished. A pathe camera man operating in the grandstand was hurt and ambulance rushed to the scene of the tragedy.

Losses Control  
First reports reaching the timing pit were to the effect that Bible can't go far towards the water, and in attempting to correct his steering swung the wheel of the car and was unable to bring it back on its proper course. He spun around on the course and crashed into the sand dunes with a terrific impact.

Bible, who was a novice in high speed racing, had been given approval of the American Automobile association to make the record attempt after a series of tests yesterday in which he satisfied officials of his qualifications.

His motive roller, about a hundred feet before coming to a stop. The cameraman, unable to move from his tracks, was mangled. His body being hurled a great distance. The bodies of Bible and the photographer were picked up and taken to a mortuary. The accident was the second fatal one to occur on the beach in a year.

Princess to Wed  
STOCKHOLM, March 12.—(P)—One of royalty's loveliest is to be a bride if rumor be true. Princess Dagmar of Sweden, 19, is reported affianced to Crown Prince Frederick of Denmark, 20.

## INSURGENT LOSS HEAVY IS REPORT

Mexican Government Claims Successes at Many Points—22,000 Rebels Massing at Tarreon—Calles and Almazan Advance On Insurgent Stronghold.

(By the Associated Press)  
Heavy rebel losses were reported by the government today as powerful federal and insurgent forces continued to converge on Torreon, where the most of the biggest battles in the history of Mexican revolutions of a speedy disintegration of the entire revolutionary movement.

An army of 22,000 rebels was reported massing at Torreon, while General Calles, commander in chief of the federals, was proceeding northward with 18,000 men, and 8000 men under General Almazan were advancing from the east to descend on the rebel stronghold.

Rebel headquarters anticipated a decisive battle, but the government at Mexico City was equally optimistic that the rebellion had failed and that the insurgents would scatter northward before the federal drive.

Government success was reported at widely scattered points. Along the border, in the heart of the rebel country of Sonora, a serious defection of Yaqui and Mayo Indian troops hit the insurgents heavily.

General Olachea, hitherto apparently supporting the rebels, staged a coup yesterday and today was strongly entrenched at Naas, which he took over in the name of the government.

Rebel reverses in the east and west also were reported. "Retreating before the advance of Almazan, the insurgents evacuated Saltillo after looting two banks of about \$50,000. The federals were hard at work repairing serious railroad damage caused by the withdrawing insurgents.

In the west, the insurgents, who had been driving on Matatlan, at first showed signs of their advance, and today were reported to have withdrawn their main forces north of Culiacan and Quila.

President Portes Gil, confident that the revolt has been crushed, has stopped recruiting in the army by volunteer organizations.

General Simon Acuirre, brother of General Jesus Acuirre, defeated rebel leader in Vera Cruz, was court martialed and executed for his part in the revolt.

Government circles said the rebel leaders were sending their families northward to cross into the United States. They held this as an indication of the collapse of the rebel movement.

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 12.—(P)—Dr. Lewis Brinton, noted stomach specialist and founder of the American Stomach hospital, died today in his Philadelphia home.

## Will Rogers Says:

NEW YORK, March 12.—Hurray for Texas for taking the comedy away from Oklahoma. I have heard of a man being made a Democrat by persuasion, peculiarity of mind, and mostly by pure chance. But the great state of Texas is the first one to make a man (or

his two-legged equivalent) a Democrat by legislative act, saying, "If you are a Democrat, you have to stay a Democrat. You can't vote one way one election and one way the next. If you are a man that changes your mind, you are not a Democrat." It don't say anything about the Republicans. They can come over to the Democrats without committing bigamy. Now, here is a tip to my good friend, Dan Moody, the governor. When a child is born of what is suspected of Democratic parentage, brand it with the letter "D" on the left hip, then at election time just run 'em through the chute and tally 'em. Yours,

WILL ROGERS.